Case Study - Recommendations for Marketing Strategy

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The mission statement

Bellabeat is a high tech manufacturer of health-focused products for women, which include a Bellabeat App, smart watch, smart wellness tracker and a smart water bottle. These products provide their users with data related to their activity, sleep, stress, menstrual cycle and mindfulness habits. They want to analyse fitness data of non-Bellabeat smart device users in order to gain insight into how consumers are using their smart devices. Using this information the company would like to recieve high – level recomendations for Bellabeat's marketing strategy.

Key questions for the analysis:

- 1. What are some trends in smart device usage?
- 2. How could these trends apply to Bellabeat customers?
- 3. How could these trends help influence Bellabeat marketing strategy?

Ask

Business task

The business task at hand is to identify trends in non-Bellabeat smart device usage to identify trends and insights that can be applied to Bellabeat's products. Finally, these findings will be used to formulate recommendations for Bellabeat's marketing strategy.

Stakeholders

- Urška Sršen, Bellabeat's cofounder and Chief Creative Officer
- Sando Mur, Bellabeat's cofounder and key member of the Bellabeat executive team
- Bellabeat marketing analytics team

Prepare

Data Source

The dataset used for the analysis was retrieved from FitBit Fitness Tracker Data (CC0: Public Domain)

The dataset contains personal fitness tracking data from thirty Fitbit users. The data includes personal tracker-data, including minute-level output for physical activity, heart rate, and sleep monitoring. Furthermore, it includes information about daily activity, steps, and heart rate. The data was collected from 12.4.2016 to 12.5.2016.

The dataset is comprised of 18 .csv files.

Limitations of the data

Upon first review of the data, there are some limitations that are important to consider:

- 1. FitBit data does not include information about gender and age. Since Bellabeat is targeting mainly women with their products, this is an important factor to keep in mind when making recommendations based on this data.
- 2. The dataset may exhibit some bias since all participants were volunteers, they were not randomly selected from a wide population of FitBit users. Thus, the entire population of FitBit users might not be reflected in this sample.
- 3. The data was collected in 2016, which means it is not very current. The trends from 2016 might not be applicable to 2023.

Process

Data Cleaning Process

Data cleaning was done in RStudio. I started by installing a few useful packages.

```
# Set a CRAN mirror
options(repos = c(CRAN = "https://cloud.r-project.org"))

# Install and load the required packages
install.packages("tidyverse")
library(tidyverse)
install.packages("lubridate")
library(lubridate)
install.packages("dplyr")
library(dplyr)
```

Then I imported the data to analyse. For this case study, I decided to use a subset of the 18 files available.

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HourlyCalories <- read.csv("/Users/oblj-nkvarantan/Documents/CASE STUDY /Kaggle Case Study Data_Untouch
HourlyIntensities <- read.csv("/Users/oblj-nkvarantan/Documents/CASE STUDY /Kaggle Case Study Data_Untouched/Fi:
MinuteSleep <- read.csv("/Users/oblj-nkvarantan/Documents/CASE STUDY /Kaggle Case Study Data_Untouched/Fi:
DailySleep <- read.csv("/Users/oblj-nkvarantan/Documents/CASE STUDY /Kaggle Case Study Data_Untouched/Fi:

Then, I used the str() function to check if all the variables were in the correct datatype. I noticed that the date column included both the date and time variables, which I didn't like. I split the column into two separate columns: Date and Time. While doing this I also changes the time format to 24h in order to remove AM/PM, and the dates from mm/dd/yyyy to yyyy/mm/dd format. Since the date columns were not the correct datatype - they were strings, I had to convert the strings to dates.

Example of process:

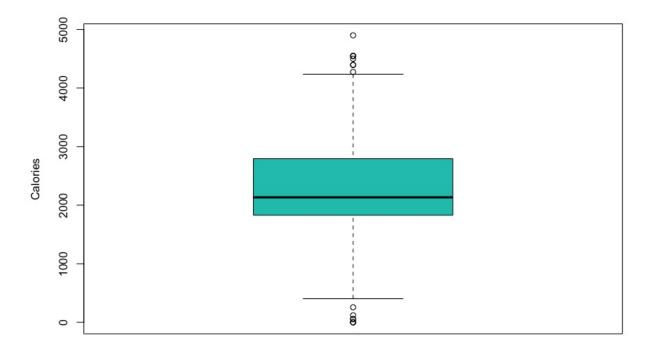
```
HeartRate <- read.csv(".../Documents/CASE STUDY /Kaggle Case Study Data_Untouched/Fitabase Data 4.12.16
HeartRate$Time <- as.POSIXct(HeartRate$Time, format = "%m/%d/%Y %I:%M:%S %p")</pre>
```

```
HeartRate <- HeartRate %>%
  mutate(
    Date = as.Date(Time),
    Time = format(Time, format = "%H:%M:%S")
) %>%
  select(Id, Date, Time, Value)

write.csv(HeartRate, "/.../Documents/CASE STUDY /Kaggle Case Study Data Untouched/Fitabase Data 4.12.16
```

Secondly, I checked for missing values.

Thirdly, I used the summary() function to check the max/min points, means and median for each relevant variable, to see if there are big deviations. I noticed that in the DailyActivity data set, there were some values that did not make any sense. The Calories column shows the amount of calories burned in a day for each participant, including Basal Metabolic Rate (BMR). Therefore, I decided to drop all entries that had a value of 0, since it is impossible that the BMR alone would amount to 0. Next, I noticed there are more values which were very unlikely, so I decided to check for outliers in the Calories column with a boxplot:



Based on the boxplot and based on it being very unlikely that someone would burn less than 500 kcal in one day (due to the included BMR measurements), I decided to drop all values below 500 kcal from

the DailyActivity dataset, because it means either the measurements weren't collected for the whole day or something went wrong. In both cases, the values for other variables are probably also not going to be accurate.

With my data cleaned and prepared I moved to the analysis phase.

Analyse

Let's first do a summary of the data that I'll be using for the analysis.

summary(DailyActivity)

```
ActivityDate
##
          Id
                                                TotalSteps
                                                               TotalDistance
##
                         Length:940
                                                                      : 0.000
    Min.
           :1.504e+09
                                             Min.
                                                               Min.
##
    1st Qu.:2.320e+09
                         Class : character
                                             1st Qu.: 3790
                                                               1st Qu.: 2.620
##
    Median :4.445e+09
                         Mode
                               :character
                                             Median: 7406
                                                               Median : 5.245
##
           :4.855e+09
                                                     : 7638
                                                                      : 5.490
    Mean
                                             Mean
                                                               Mean
##
    3rd Qu.:6.962e+09
                                             3rd Qu.:10727
                                                               3rd Qu.: 7.713
##
    Max.
           :8.878e+09
                                             Max.
                                                     :36019
                                                               Max.
                                                                      :28.030
##
   TrackerDistance
                      LoggedActivitiesDistance VeryActiveDistance
##
   Min.
           : 0.000
                              :0.0000
                                                        : 0.000
                      Min.
                                                 Min.
##
    1st Qu.: 2.620
                      1st Qu.:0.0000
                                                 1st Qu.: 0.000
##
    Median : 5.245
                      Median :0.0000
                                                 Median : 0.210
##
    Mean
           : 5.475
                      Mean
                              :0.1082
                                                 Mean
                                                        : 1.503
##
    3rd Qu.: 7.710
                      3rd Qu.:0.0000
                                                 3rd Qu.: 2.053
           :28.030
                              :4.9421
##
    Max.
                      Max.
                                                 Max.
                                                        :21.920
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    ModeratelyActiveDistance LightActiveDistance SedentaryActiveDistance
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           :0.0000
                                      : 0.000
                                                            :0.000000
                              Min.
                                                    Min.
   1st Qu.:0.0000
                               1st Qu.: 1.945
##
                                                    1st Qu.:0.000000
##
    Median :0.2400
                              Median : 3.365
                                                    Median :0.000000
##
    Mean
           :0.5675
                              Mean
                                      : 3.341
                                                            :0.001606
                                                    Mean
##
    3rd Qu.:0.8000
                              3rd Qu.: 4.782
                                                    3rd Qu.:0.000000
                                                            :0.110000
##
    Max.
           :6.4800
                              Max.
                                      :10.710
                                                    Max.
##
    VeryActiveMinutes FairlyActiveMinutes LightlyActiveMinutes SedentaryMinutes
##
                       Min.
                                                    : 0.0
   \mathtt{Min}.
           : 0.00
                               : 0.00
                                            Min.
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    1st Qu.: 0.00
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                                            1st Qu.:127.0
                                                                   1st Qu.: 729.8
    Median :
##
              4.00
                       Median :
                                  6.00
                                            Median :199.0
                                                                   Median :1057.5
##
    Mean
           : 21.16
                       Mean
                               : 13.56
                                            Mean
                                                    :192.8
                                                                   Mean
                                                                          : 991.2
##
    3rd Qu.: 32.00
                       3rd Qu.: 19.00
                                            3rd Qu.:264.0
                                                                   3rd Qu.:1229.5
##
    Max.
           :210.00
                               :143.00
                                            Max.
                                                    :518.0
                                                                   Max.
                                                                           :1440.0
                       Max.
##
       Calories
##
   Min.
##
    1st Qu.:1828
##
   Median:2134
##
    Mean
           :2304
##
    3rd Qu.:2793
    Max.
           :4900
```

- From a first glance at the data, we can see that the average day of steps per day is 7698.
- On average 21.38 minutes in a day were spent doing very active activity, 13.56 minutes of fairly active activity and 192.8 minutes of lightly active minutes. Most of the active time was spent doing light activity.
- Participants were sedentary for the majority of their day (991.2 min = 16.52 h).

summary(Heartrate)

```
##
          Ιd
                             Date
                                                 Time
                                                                     Value
##
    Min.
           :2.022e+09
                         Length: 2483658
                                             Length:2483658
                                                                 Min.
                                                                        : 36.00
   1st Qu.:4.388e+09
                         Class : character
                                                                 1st Qu.: 63.00
##
                                             Class : character
   Median :5.554e+09
                         Mode : character
                                             Mode :character
                                                                 Median : 73.00
##
                                                                        : 77.33
##
   Mean
           :5.514e+09
                                                                 Mean
##
    3rd Qu.:6.962e+09
                                                                 3rd Qu.: 88.00
##
  Max.
           :8.878e+09
                                                                 Max.
                                                                        :203.00
```

The average heart rate of all participants in one month was 77.33.

FitBit measures sleep which is divided into 3 sleep states: asleep (1), restless (2) and awake (3). In order to find out the frequency of each sleep states, we have to count how many times each appears.

table(MinuteSleep\$value)

The participants spend 91.49% of their sleep sleeping, 7.44% of their sleep was restless, and 1.07% was spent awake.

summary(DailySleep)

## ## ## ## ##	Id Min. :1.504e+09 1st Qu.:3.977e+09 Median :4.703e+09 Mean :5.001e+09 3rd Qu.:6.962e+09 Max. :8.792e+09		Time Length:413 Class:character Mode:character	TotalSleepRecords Min. :1.000 1st Qu.:1.000 Median :1.000 Mean :1.119 3rd Qu.:1.000 Max. :3.000
##	TotalMinutesAsleep	TotalTimeInBed		
##	Min. : 58.0	Min. : 61.0		
##	1st Qu.:361.0	1st Qu.:403.0		
##	Median :433.0	Median:463.0		
##	Mean :419.5	Mean :458.6		
##	3rd Qu.:490.0	3rd Qu.:526.0		
##	Max. :796.0	Max. :961.0		

On average the participants slept approx. 7 hours a day.

summary(HourlyIntensities)

##	Id	Date	Time	TotalIntensity
##	Min. :1.504e+09	Length: 22099	Length: 22099	Min. : 0.00
##	1st Qu.:2.320e+09	Class :character	Class :character	1st Qu.: 0.00
##	Median :4.445e+09	Mode :character	Mode :character	Median: 3.00
##	Mean :4.848e+09			Mean : 12.04
##	3rd Qu.:6.962e+09			3rd Qu.: 16.00

After a quick look at the data, there are a few questions I want to explore:

- 1. During which part of the day and which day of the week do people tend to exercise the most?
- 2. How does the level of activity correlate to calories burned?
- 3. Does the level of activity in a day influence sleep?
- 4. Does average heart rate compare to activity level?

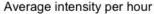
I will first focus on some aspects of the data to see if there are any trends that I can identify. It might be interesting to focus more on physical activity, sleep and heart rate.

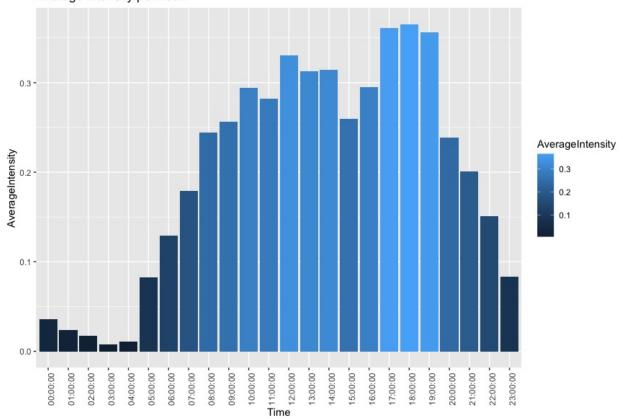
Data about physical activity (intensity, steps)

```
HourlyIntensities %>%
   select(TotalIntensity, AverageIntensity) %>%
   summary()

Average_Intensity_Hour <- HourlyIntensities %>%
   group_by(Time) %>%
   summarise(AverageIntensity = mean(AverageIntensity))

ggplot(data=Average_Intensity_Hour) +
   geom_col(mapping = aes(x=Time, y=AverageIntensity, fill=AverageIntensity)) +
   theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90))+
   labs(title = "Average intensity per hour")
```

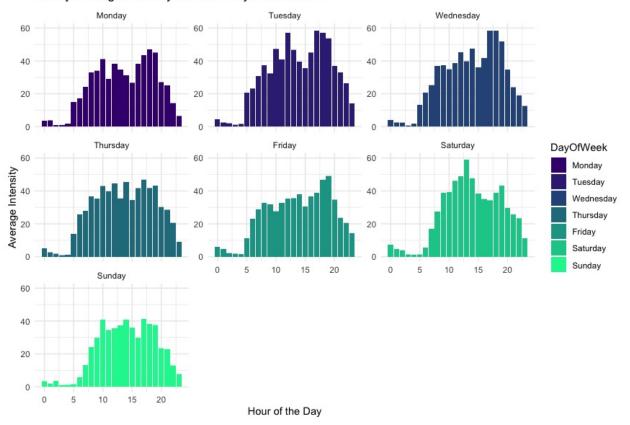




From the graph we see a noticeable spike in average physical activity intensity between 17:00 and 19:00. Which makes sense since a lot of people work shifts from 09:00 to 17:00 and after that they might go to their preferred methods of physical activity.

But let's have a look if the average intensities differed between days in the week.

Hourly Average Intensity for Each Day of the Week



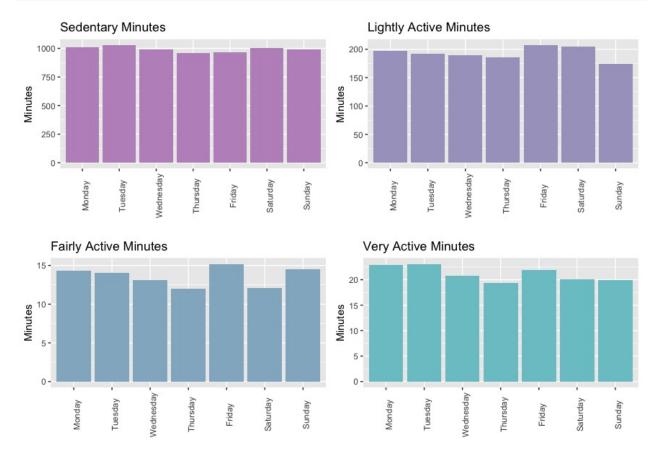
From the graphs above it is clear that the distribution of hourly intensities is not the same for week days and weekend days. It is interesting to note that graphs for Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday look quite similar, with the highest average intensity being observed from 17:00 to 19:00. However, the average intensity recorded was highest on Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday.

Next, I'll look at the difference in the level of physical activity throughout the week.

```
geom_col(fill="#91B4C9") +
    theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90))+
    labs(title = "Fairly Active Minutes", x="", y="Minutes")

plot4 <- ggplot(weekly_summary_intensities, aes(x = DayOfWeek, y = AvgVeryActiveMinutes, fill = AvgVery.
    geom_col(fill="#7BC6CC") +
    theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90))+
    labs(title = "Very Active Minutes", x="", y="Minutes")

# Arrange plots side by side
grid.arrange(plot1, plot2, plot3, plot4, ncol = 2)</pre>
```



We can observe that sedentary minutes do not vary much throughout the week. But we do see that our participants were slightly less sedentary on average on Thursdays and Fridays. Furthermore, our participants spent more minutes being very active on Mondays and Tuesdays.

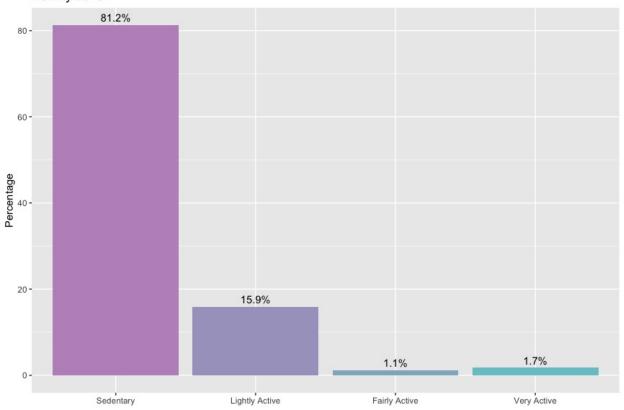
Next, I wanted to see the mean daily activity level of our participants.

```
sum_sedentary <- sum(DailyActivity$SedentaryMinutes)
sum_lightly <- sum(DailyActivity$LightlyActiveMinutes)
sum_fairly <- sum(DailyActivity$FairlyActiveMinutes)
sum_very <- sum(DailyActivity$VeryActiveMinutes)
total <- sum(DailyActivity$SedentaryMinutes)+sum(DailyActivity$LightlyActiveMinutes)+sum(DailyActivity$
col1 <- c("Sedentary", "Lightly Active", "Fairly Active", "Very Active")
col2 <- c(sum_sedentary/total*100, sum_lightly/total*100, sum_fairly/total*100, sum_very/total*100)</pre>
```

```
ActivityLevel <- data.frame(Activity_Level = col1, Percentage = col2)
ActivityLevel$Activity_Level <- factor(ActivityLevel$Activity_Level, levels = c("Sedentary", "Lightly A

ggplot(data=ActivityLevel, aes(x= Activity_Level, y = Percentage, fill = Activity_Level))+
geom_col()+
geom_text(aes(label =sprintf("%.1f%%", Percentage)), vjust = -0.5, color = "black")+
scale_fill_manual(values = user_type_colors) +
theme(legend.position = "none")+
labs(title= "Activity_Level", x = "", y= "Percentage")
```

Activity Level



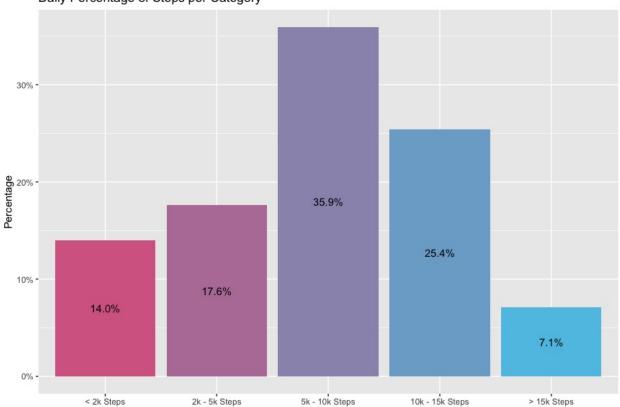
According to their data, it seems that on average people were sedentary for 81.2~% of their day, 15.9~% of the day being lightly active, 1.1~% of the day being fairly active and 1.7~% of the day being very active.

Next, I'll be looking into the daily step count. From the summary of the DailyActivity data set above I saw that the average daily step count was 7698. In order to have a better understanding of the distribution of the daily steps of our participants I decided to first divide them into 5 categories: < 2000 steps, between 2000 and 5000 steps, between 5000 and 10.000 steps, between 10.000 and 15.000 steps and more than 15.000 steps.

```
StepCategory_5 <- DailyActivity %>%
mutate(
   Step_Category_5 = case_when(
    TotalSteps < 2000 ~ "< 2k Steps",
   TotalSteps >= 2000 & TotalSteps < 5000 ~ "2k - 5k Steps",
   TotalSteps >= 5000 & TotalSteps < 10000 ~ "5k - 10k Steps",</pre>
```

```
TotalSteps >= 10000 & TotalSteps < 15000 ~ "10k - 15k Steps",
     TotalSteps >= 15000 ~ "> 15k Steps")
  select(Id, Step_Category_5) %>%
  count(Step_Category_5) %>%
  group_by(Step_Category_5) %>%
  arrange(desc(n))
print(StepCategory_5)
StepCategory_5$Step_Category_5 <- factor(StepCategory_5$Step_Category_5, levels = c("< 2k Steps", "2k -
colors_step_cat_5 <- c("< 2k Steps" = "#D66891", "2k - 5k Steps" = "#B87EA6", "5k - 10k Steps" = "#9A95
StepCategory_5 %>%
  group_by(Step_Category_5) %>%
  summarise(total = n) %>%
  mutate(totals = sum(total)) %>%
  group_by(Step_Category_5) %>%
  summarise(total_percent = total/totals) %>%
  ggplot(aes(Step_Category_5, y=total_percent, fill=Step_Category_5))+
  geom_col(show.legend = FALSE)+
  geom_text(aes(label = scales :: percent(total_percent)), position = position_stack(vjust = 0.5), color
  scale_fill_manual(values = colors_step_cat_5)+
  scale_y_continuous(labels = scales::percent) +
  labs(title="Daily Percentage of Steps per Category", x="", y= "Percentage")
```

Daily Percentage of Steps per Category



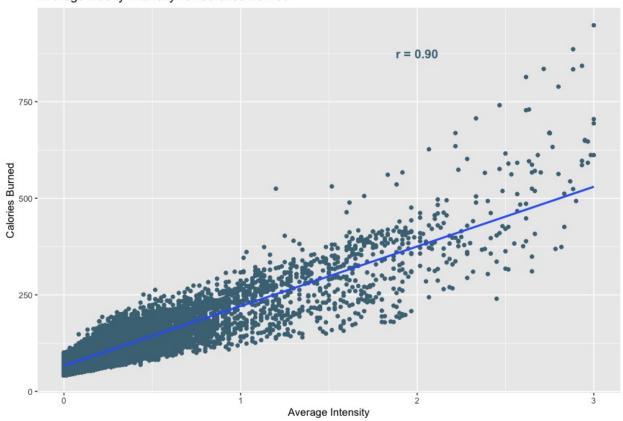
From the graph above it's pretty clear that the majority of our participants took between 5000 and 10.000 steps per day. Interestingly, the second most frequent number of steps was between 10.000 and 15.000 steps per day. Research on this topic suggests that healthy adults (aged 20 - 50 years) can take anywhere between 4000 and 18.000 steps/day, and that 10.000 steps/day is a reasonable target (Source: Locke et al., 2011.

How does the level of activity correlate to calories burned? Here I decided to look into the relationship between activity intensity and calories burned.

```
HourlyIntensitiesxHourlyCalories <- merge(HourlyIntensities, HourlyCalories, by=c('Id', 'Date', 'Time')
head(HourlyIntensitiesxHourlyCalories)

ggplot(data=HourlyIntensitiesxHourlyCalories, aes(x= AverageIntensity, y = Calories))+
    geom_point(color="#4a7384")+
    geom_smooth(method = "lm")+
    labs(title= "Average Hourly Intensity vs. Calories Burned", x = "Average Intensity", y= "Calories Burned", authorized the state of the state o
```

Average Hourly Intensity vs. Calories Burned



In the scatterplot above, a positive correlation can be observed between the amount of calories burned and the intensity of physical activity, which is to be expected. The higher the intensity of the activity, the more calories were burned.

Can a similar trend be observed with data for daily step count? Based on the study quoted above I decided to form 4 activity levels, which would match those of the FitBit measurements: Sedentary, Lightly Active, Fairly Active and Very Active. I decided that anything under 4000 steps/day would be labelled as

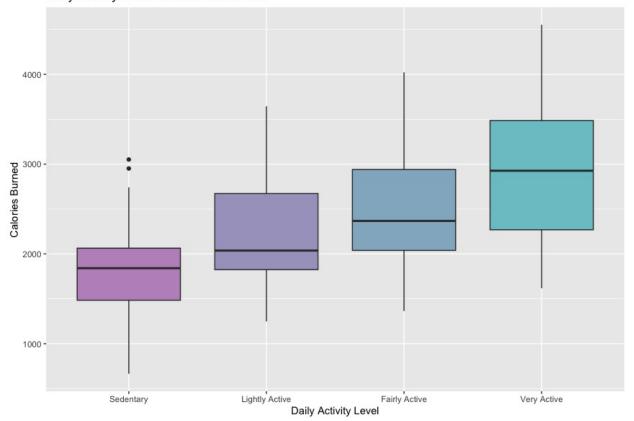
Sedentary; between 4000 and 8000 steps/day would be Lightly Active; between 8000 and 12000 steps/day would be Fairly Active and everything above 12000 steps/day would be Very Active. Next, I compared the level of activity with the calories burned.

```
DailyActivity2 <- DailyActivity %>%
  mutate(
  DailyActivityLevel = case_when(
    TotalSteps < 4000 ~ "Sedentary",
    TotalSteps >= 4000 & TotalSteps < 8000 ~ "Lightly Active",
    TotalSteps >= 8000 & TotalSteps < 12000 ~ "Fairly Active",
    TotalSteps >= 12000 ~ "Very Active"
    )
)

DailyActivity2$DailyActivityLevel <- factor(DailyActivity2$DailyActivityLevel, levels = c("Sedentary",

ggplot(data=DailyActivity2, aes(x = DailyActivityLevel, y = Calories, fill = DailyActivityLevel)) +
    geom_boxplot() +
    scale_fill_manual(values = daily_activity_colors) +
    theme(legend.position = "none") +
    labs(title = "Daily Activity Level vs. Calories Burned", x = "Daily Activity Level", y= "Calories Burned", x = "Daily Activity Level", y= "Calories Burned", x = "Baily Activity Level", x = "Baily Activity Level", x = "Baily Ac
```

Daily Activity Level vs. Calories Burned



It is clear that the number of calories burned per day increases with the level of activity, which is defined by the number of steps taken per day.

Data about sleep

How does the level of activity affect sleep? To look into this, I first had to merge two datasets together: DailyActivity and DailySleep. Next, I had to remove the 0 values in the lightly, fairly and very active minutes columns.

```
ActivityxSleep <- merge(DailyActivity, DailySleep, by=c('Id', 'Date'))</pre>
head(ActivityxSleep)
ActivityxSleep_NZV_lightly <- ActivityxSleep %>% # NZV = no zero values for the lightly active minutes
  filter(LightlyActiveMinutes != 0)
ActivityxSleep_NZV_fairly <- ActivityxSleep %>% # NZV = no zero values for the fairly active minutes
  filter(FairlyActiveMinutes != 0)
ActivityxSleep_NZV_very <- ActivityxSleep %>% # NZV = no zero values for the very active minutes
  filter(VeryActiveMinutes != 0)
Sedentary_plot <- ggplot(ActivityxSleep, aes(x = TotalMinutesAsleep, y = SedentaryMinutes)) +
  geom point(color ="#42047E") +
  scale fill manual(values = "#42047E") +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", se=FALSE, color = "blue") +
  labs(
   x = "Total Minutes Asleep",
   y = "Sedentary Minutes"
  ) +
  theme_minimal()
Lightly_active_plot <- ggplot(ActivityxSleep_NZV_lightly, aes(x = TotalMinutesAsleep, y = LightlyActive
  geom point(color = "#07F49E") +
  scale_fill_manual(values= "#07F49E") +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", se=FALSE, color = "blue") +
  labs(
   x = "Total Minutes Asleep",
   y = "Lightly Active Minutes"
  theme minimal()
Fairly_active_plot <- ggplot(ActivityxSleep_NZV_fairly, aes(x = TotalMinutesAsleep, y = FairlyActiveMin
  geom_point(color = "#247C8E") +
  scale_fill_manual(values = "#247C8E" ) +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", se=FALSE, color = "blue") +
  labs(
   x = "Total Minutes Asleep",
   y = "Fairly Active Minutes"
  ) +
  theme_minimal()
Very_active_plot <- ggplot(ActivityxSleep_NZV_very, aes(x = TotalMinutesAsleep, y = VeryActiveMinutes))</pre>
  geom_point(color = "#10CB98") +
  scale_fill_manual(values = "#10CB98") +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", se=FALSE, color = "blue") +
   x = "Total Minutes Asleep",
```

```
y = "Very Active Minutes"
   ) +
   theme minimal()
grid.arrange(Sedentary_plot, Lightly_active_plot, Fairly_active_plot, Very_active_plot, ncol = 2)
   1500
                                                                        500
                                                                     Lightly Active Minutes
                                                                        400
Sedentary Minutes
                                                                        300
                                                                        100
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                                                                                        200
                                                                                                                     600
                                                                                                                                    800
                    200
                                  400
                                                               800
                                                                                               Total Minutes Asleep
                           Total Minutes Asleep
   150
                                                                        200
 Fairly Active Minutes
                                                                     Very Active Minutes
                                                                        150
```

In the first scatterplot we can see that on average the more sedentary the participants were, the less they slept. Whereas, in the other three scatterplots we can't really see a clear influence of activity level on time slept.

800

100

200

400

Total Minutes Asleep

600

800

Data about Heartrate

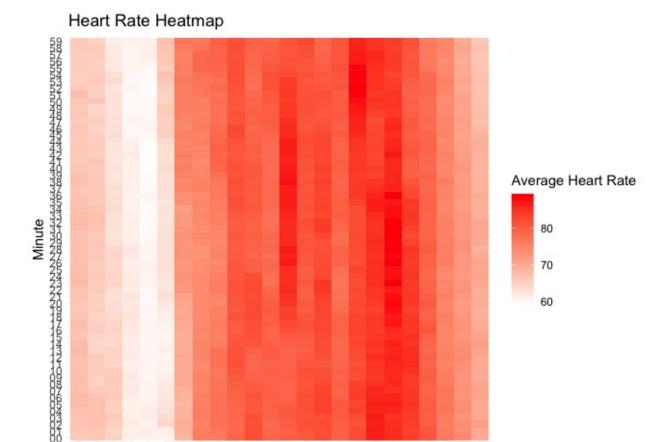
200

400

Total Minutes Asleep

600

```
# Create a heatmap
heatmap_plot <- Heartrate %>%
  mutate(Hour = format(DateTime, "%H"), Minute = format(DateTime, "%M")) %>%
  group_by(Hour, Minute) %>%
  summarize(AverageHeartRate = mean(Value)) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = Hour, y = Minute, fill = AverageHeartRate)) +
  geom_tile() +
  scale_fill_gradient(low = "white", high = "red") +
  labs(title = "Heart Rate", x = "Hour", y = "Minute", fill = "Average Heart Rate") +
  theme_minimal()
```



From the heat map above we can see that the highest heart rate was observed between 17:00 and 19:00 coinciding with activity intensity data which showed that participants tend to be more active between those hours.

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Recommendations:

1. Bellabeat can use the information about the users' activity levels and trends during the day/week to send targeted notifications through their app. For example, since we observed that users tend to do more intense physical activity from 17:00 to 19:00 in the day, the app can remind its users a little before 17:00 to do some high intensity physical activity. Furthermore, the app could track the weekly physical activity level of users in order to define their average level of physical activity. Then they could send different notifications/reminders to users of different physical activity levels to make it more personal. Studies Source: Blair et al., 2013 have shown that any level of physical activity can reduce the risk of clinical diseases. While, some activities (and with that intensities) are better for the overall prevention of these diseases, any level of physical activity, be it low or moderate intensity, is better than remaining sedentary. Due to the risk of a sedentary life, it should be one of the priorities to try and minimise it. From the results above, we saw that a big part of the users' day was spent being

- sedentary, so it would be a great idea to try and motivate those users to do more low to moderate activities throughout the day.
- 2. Bellabeat can use the information about users' daily step count to motivate its users to reach their daily goals. I think it would be wise to set a default step goal of 10.000 steps per day, but give users the option to customize it. It could be a good idea, to limit the notifications/reminders about the step count to one per day, as to not overwhelm users.
- 3. For those users whose goal it is to lose weight, the Bellabeat app could send friendly reminders to engage in high intensity physical activities more often, as we have seen that there is a clear correlation between higher intensity physical activity and burned calories.

Conclusion

It is clear that people use fitness tracking devices for different purposes, so the possibility to customize the goals/aims, daily steps, sleep times, etc. should be a priority and definitely one of the main pillars of the marketing strategy. Furthermore, the Bellabeat app could include a food diary connected to a nutrient database, enabling users to monitor their food consumption and nutrient intake, both very important for a healthy lifestyle.